

PATENT APPLICATION  
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kouji ASAOKO

Appln. No.: 10/696,570

Group Art Unit: 3653

Confirmation No.: 5920

Examiner: Thomas A. MORRISON

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For: PAPER DISCHARGE UNIT AND PRINTING APPARATUS EMPLOYING THE  
PAPER DISCHARGE UNIT

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one (1) month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of June 27, 2006 to October 27, 2006.

The statutory fee of \$120.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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